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SUBJECT: RWANDA ON REVIEW CONFERENCE WORKING GROUP SESSION
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(C) Pol/Econ Chief delivered reftel demarche to Ministry of Foreign Affairs IO Chief Ben Rutsinga on February 18. Rutsinga said the GOR had not sent a delegation to the review session, and had not sent instructions to its delegation in Geneva. Regarding anti-Zionist language in the draft outcome document, Rutsinga noted that Rwanda generally did not support review documents on thematic conferences that overly focused "on one country." However, he said, Rwanda did not have a prepared position on the review session. He further noted that Foreign Affairs Minister Rosemary Musminali, and other senior officials, were attending a week-long retreat out of the capital, and were not available for consultations.

Rutsinga advised contacting the GOR delegation in Geneva, which he believed would probably be attending the review session.

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